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## Description

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#### **Details**

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design.MSPRT

Designing the MSPRT

#### **Description**

Given the maximum available sample size and prespecified Type I & II error probabilities, this function designs/obtains the corresponding MSPRT.

#### Usage

#### **Arguments**

test.type

Character. Type of test. Currently, the package only allows

- oneProp for one-sample proportion tests
- oneZ for one-sample z tests
- oneT for one-sample t tests
- twoZ for two-sample z tests
- twoT for two-sample t tests.

side

Character. Direction of the composite alternative hypothesis. right for  $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$  (**default**), and left for  $H_1: \theta < \theta_0$ .

theta0

Numeric. Hypothesized value of effect size  $(\theta_0)$  under  $H_0$ .

**Default:** 0.5 in one-sample proportion tests, and 0 for others.

theta1

Logical, numeric or list (two components with names 'right' and 'left').

- If FALSE, no comparison is done under the alternative hypothesis.
- If TRUE (**Default**), comparison is done at the fixed-design alternative effect size  $(\theta_a)$ .
- If numeric, this can only be in case of one-sided tests (that is, side = "right" or "left"). The comparison is done at the specified numeric value of the alternative effect size.

• If list, this can only be in case of two-sided tests (that is, side = "both"). The list has to be of the form list("right" =  $\theta_1$ , "left" =  $\theta_2$ ). Then the comparison is done at alternative effect sizes  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ .

Note: In case of two-sided tests at a given level of significance, there are two effect sizes under  $H_1$  (one on the right of  $H_0$  and one on the left) that corresponds to the same Type II error probability (or power). This list provides users with the ability where he/she can replace  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  by any effect sizes from each side in the form of a list as mentioned above, and can get the designed MSPRT together with its operating characteristics at those effect sizes.

Type1.target Numeric within [0,1]. Prespecified level of Type I error probability.

**Default:** 0.005.

The MSPRT exactly maintains its Type I error probability at this value.

Type2.target Numeric within [0,1]. Prespecified level of Type 2 error probability.

Default: 0.2.

The MSPRT approximately maintains its Type II error probability at this value at the corresponding fixed-design alternative ( $\theta_a$ ).

N. max Positive integer. Maximum available sample size in one-sample tests.

N1.max Positive integer. Maximum available sample size from Group-1 in two-sample

tests.

N2.max Positive integer. Maximum available sample size from Group-2 in two-sample

tests.

sigma Positive numeric. Known standard deviation in one-sample z tests.

Default: 1.

sigma1 Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-1 in two-sample z tests.

Default: 1.

sigma2 Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-2 in two-sample z tests.

Default: 1.

batch.size Integer vector. A vector denoting the number of observations that are planned to be observed at each sequential step in one-sample tests.

#### **Default:**

- Proportion and z tests: rep(1, N.max).
- t tests: c(2, rep(1, N.max-1)).

Default values mean the sequential analysis is performed after observing each observation. This corresponds to a sequential MSPRT. If any batch size is more than 1 (or more than 2 in the 1st step for t test) it corresponds to a group sequential MSPRT.

Note: First batch size for t tests needs to be at least 2. The length of batch.size equals to the maximum number of planned sequential analyses.

batch1.size Integer vector. A vector denoting the number of observations that are planned to be observed from Group-1 at each sequential step in two-sample tests.

#### **Default:**

• z tests: rep(1, N1.max).

• t tests: c(2, rep(1, N1.max-1)).

Default values mean the sequential analysis is performed after observing each observation from Group-1.

batch2.size

Integer vector. A vector denoting the number of observations that are planned to be observed from Group-2 at each sequential step in two-sample tests.

#### **Default:**

- z tests: rep(1, N2.max).
- t tests: c(2, rep(1, N2.max-1)).

Default values mean the sequential analysis is performed after observing each observation from Group-2.

nReplicate

Positive integer. Total number of replications to be used in Monte Carlo simulation for calculating the termination threshold and the operating characteristics of the MSPRT.

**Default:** 1,000,000.

verbose

Logical. If TRUE (default), returns messages of the current proceedings. Other-

wise it doesn't.

seed

Integer. Random number generating seed.

Default: 1.

#### Value

List. The list has the following named components in case of one-sided one-sample tests:

TypeI.attained Numeric in [0,1]. Type I error probability attained by the designed MSPRT.

Type2.attained Numeric in [0,1]. Type II error probability attained by the designed MSPRT at the specified alternative effect size theta1. Returned only if theta1 is TRUE or numeric.

Ν List.

- If theta1 = FALSE, the list has one component named H0. It stores an integer vector of length nReplicate. This is the vector of sample size required by the MSPRT for each of nReplicate Monte Carlo simulations under  $H_0$ .
- If theta1 is TRUE or numeric, the list has two components named H0 and H1. Each of these stores an integer vector of length nReplicate. The stored vector under H0 is the same as in the ta1 = FALSE. The H1 component stored the vector of sample size required by the MSPRT for each of nReplicate Monte Carlo simulations under the specified alternative effect size.

ΕN Numeric vector.

- If theta1 = FALSE, the vector is of length 1. It is the number of samples required on average by the MSPRT under  $H_0$ .
- If theta1 is TRUE or numeric, the vector is of length 2. They are the number of samples required on average by the MSPRT under  $H_0$  (first component) and the specified alternative effect size (second component), respectively.

UMPBT or theta. UMPBT

The UMPBT alternative. UMPBT in case of one-sample proportion test and theta.UMPBT in case of all the other tests. Their types are the same as their output from UMPBT.alt function.

Note: Not returned in t tests as it depends on the data.

theta1

Returned only if theta1 is anything but FALSE. Stores the effect size under  $H_1$  where the operating characteristic of the MSPRT is obtained. Of the same type as the argument theta1.

Type2.fixed.design

Numeric in [0,1]. Type II error probability attained by the fixed design test with sample size N. max and Type I error probability Type1. target at the alternative effect size theta1.

RejectH0.threshold

Positive numeric. Threshold for rejecting  $H_0$  in the MSPRT.

RejectH1.threshold

Positive numeric. Threshold for accepting  $H_1$  in the MSPRT.

termination.threshold

Positive numeric. Termination threshold of the MSPRT.

In case of one-sided two-sample tests the above components are returned with following modifications:

N: List.

- If theta1 = FALSE the list has one component named H0.
- theta1 is TRUE or numeric, the list has two components named H0 and H1. Each of the named components H0 and H1 contains a list with two components named Group1 and Group2. Each of these contains the same vector corresponding to Group-1 and Group-2. In each of these, it contains the sample size required by the MSPRT in each of nReplicate Monte Carlo simulations under the respective effect size for the respective group.

EN List.

- If theta1 = FALSE the list has one component named H0.
- $\bullet$  If theta1 is TRUE or numeric, the list has two components named H0 and H1.

Each of the named components H0 or H1 contains a list with two components named Group1 and Group2. In each of these, it contains the sample size required on average by the MSPRT under the respective effect size for the respective group.

In case of two-sided tests the above components are returned with following modifications:

Type2.attained Numeric vector of length 2 with both elements in [0,1]. The first and second component is the Type II error probability of the MSPRT at the specified alternative effect sizes theta1\$right and theta1\$left, respectively.

Ν

This is the same as in one-sided tests if theta1 is FALSE. If theta1 is TRUE or a two-component list with names right and left, this is a list with three components with names H0, right and left instead of a two-component list with names H0 and H1. Quantities stored under these components are the same as in one-sided tests except the quantities under right and left are the same performance of the designed MSPRT at the specified alternative effect sizes theta1\$right and theta1\$left, respectively.

ΕN

Numeric vector. The same as in one-sided tests if theta1 is FALSE. If theta1 is TRUE or a two-component list with names right and left, this is a numeric vector of length 3, where the first, second and third components are the average required sample size under  $H_0$ , and at the specified alternative effect sizes theta1\$right and theta1\$left, respectively.

Additionally, the output list also contains the provided arguments of design.MSPRT, and

nAnalyses

Positive integer. This is the maximum number of sequential analyses that is planned. This equals to the length(batch.size) in one-sample tests, and to the length(batch1.size) and length(batch2.size) in two-sample tests.

#### Author(s)

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#### References

Pramanik S., Johnson V. E. and Bhattacharya A. (2020+). A Modified Sequential Probability Ratio Test. [Arxiv]

#### **Examples**

```
## left-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'right',
             N.max = 20
## two-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'both',
              N.max = 20)
##### one-sample t test #####
## right-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'right',
             N.max = 20)
## left-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'right',
             N.max = 20)
## two-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'both',
             N.max = 20)
##### two-sample z test #####
## right-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'right',
             N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
## left-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'left',
             N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
## two-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'both',
             N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
##### two-sample t test #####
## right-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'right',
             N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
## left-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'left',
             N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
## two-sided
#design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'both',
             N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
```

design.MSPRT_oneProp Internal MSPRT function: Designing the MSPRT for one-sample proportion tests
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#### **Description**

design.MSPRT calls this function for designing the MSPRT in one-sample proportion tests. Users please refer to design.MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

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design.MSPRT_oneT	Internal MSPRT function:	Designing the MSPRT for one-sample t
	tests	

## Description

 ${\tt design.MSPRT}\ calls\ this\ function\ for\ designing\ the\ MSPRT\ in\ one-sample\ t\ tests.\ Users\ please\ refer\ to\ design.MSPRT.$ 

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

design.MSPRT_oneZ	Internal MSPRT function:	Designing the MSPRT for one-sample z
	tests	

#### **Description**

design.MSPRT calls this function for designing the MSPRT in one-sample z tests. Users please refer to design.MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

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design.MSPRT_twoT
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#### **Description**

design. MSPRT calls this function for designing the MSPRT in two-sample t tests. Users please refer to design. MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

design.MSPRT_twoZ	Internal MSPRT function:	Designing the MSPRT for two-sample z
	tests	

#### **Description**

design.MSPRT calls this function for designing the MSPRT in two-sample z tests. Users please refer to design.MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

effectiveN.oneProp	Calculating effective maximum sample size to be used in designing the MSPRT in one-sample proportion test
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## Description

Given a maximum sample size that is planned to use, this function obtains the maximum sample size (N) that is suggested to use in designing the MSPRT for one-sample proportion tests.

## Usage

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## **Arguments**

N	Positive integer. Maximum sample that is intended to use.
side	Character. Direction of the composite alternative hypothesis. right for $H_1:\theta>\theta_0$ ( <b>default</b> ), and left for $H_1:\theta<\theta_0$ .
Type1	Numeric in [0,1]. Prespecified Type I error probability. <b>Default:</b> 0.005.
theta0	Numeric. Hypothesized value of effect size $(\theta_0)$ under $H_0$ . <b>Default:</b> 0.5.
plot.it	Logical. If TRUE (default), returns a plot. Otherwise it doesn't.

#### Value

Positive integer. This is suggested to use in OCandASN.MSPRT as the maximum available sample size (N) to design the MSPRT for one-sample proportion tests.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### References

Pramanik S., Johnson V. E. and Bhattacharya A. (2020+). A Modified Sequential Probability Ratio Test. [Arxiv]

## **Examples**

```
effectiveN.oneProp(N = 30)
```

fixed_design.alt	Fixed-design alternative

## Description

Given a sample size and prespecified Type I & II error probabilities, this function obtains the fixed-design alternative  $(\theta_a)$  for testing the point null hypothesis  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ .

## Usage

fixed\_design.alt

## Arguments

test.type	Character. Type of test. Currently, the package only allows
	<ul> <li>oneProp for one-sample proportion tests</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>oneZ for one-sample z tests</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>oneT for one-sample t tests</li> </ul>
	• twoZ for two-sample z tests
	<ul> <li>twoT for two-sample t tests.</li> </ul>
side	Character. Direction of the composite alternative hypothesis. right for $H_1:\theta>\theta_0$ ( <b>default</b> ), and left for $H_1:\theta<\theta_0$ .
theta0	Numeric. Hypothesized value of effect size $(\theta_0)$ under $H_0$ . <b>Default:</b> 0.5 in one-sample proportion tests, and 0 for others.
N	Positive integer. Sample size in one-sample tests.
N1	Positive integer. Sample size from Group-1 in two-sample tests.
N2	Positive integer. Sample size from Group-2 in two-sample tests.
Type1	Numeric in [0,1]. Prespecified Type I error probability. <b>Default:</b> 0.005.
Type2	Numeric in [0,1]. Prespecified Type II error probability. <b>Default:</b> 0.2.
sigma	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation in one-sample z tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.
sigma1	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-1 in two-sample z tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.
sigma2	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-2 in two-sample z tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.

## Value

Numeric. The fixed-design alternative effect size  $(\theta_a)$ .

## Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### References

Pramanik S., Johnson V. E. and Bhattacharya A. (2020+). A Modified Sequential Probability Ratio Test. [Arxiv]

## **Examples**

```
##### one-sample proportion test #####
## right-sided
fixed_design.alt(test.type = "oneProp", N = 30)
## left-sided
fixed_design.alt(side = "left", test.type = "oneProp", N = 30)
```

```
##### one-sample z test #####
## right-sided
fixed_design.alt(test.type = "oneZ", N = 30)
## left-sided
fixed_design.alt(side = "left", test.type = "oneZ", N = 30)
##### one-sample t test #####
## right-sided
fixed_design.alt(test.type = "oneT", N = 30)
## left-sided
fixed_design.alt(side = "left", test.type = "oneT", N = 30)
##### two-sample z test #####
## right-sided
fixed\_design.alt(test.type = "twoZ", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
## left-sided
fixed_design.alt(side = "left", test.type = "twoZ", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
##### two-sample t test #####
## right-sided
fixed_design.alt(test.type = "twoT", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
## left-sided
fixed_design.alt(side = "left", test.type = "twoT", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
```

implement.MSPRT

*Implementing the MSPRT* 

## **Description**

This function implements the MSPRT for a sequentially observed data.

## Usage

```
sigma = 1, sigma1 = 1, sigma2 = 1,
batch.size, batch1.size, batch2.size,
verbose = T, plot.it = 2)
```

#### **Arguments**

Numeric vector. The vector of data in the order they are sequentially observed for one-sample tests. Note: Its length can't exceed the length of batch.size.

Numeric vector. The vector of data in the order they are sequentially observed from Group-1 for two-sample tests. Note: Its length can't exceed the length of batch1.size.

Numeric vector. The vector of data in the order they are sequentially observed from Group-2 for two-sample tests. Note: Its length can't exceed the length of

design.MSPRT.object

List. The output returned from design. MSPRT corresponding to the MSPRT for which the operating characteristics are desired.

termination.threshold

Positive numeric. Termination threshold of the designed MSPRT.

test.type Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. side Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. theta0 Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. Type1.target Type2.target Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. N.max Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. N1.max Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. N2.max Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. sigma sigma1 Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. sigma2 batch.size Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. batch1.size Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. batch2.size Same as in design. MSPRT. Not required if design. MSPRT. object is provided. verbose Logical. If TRUE (default), returns messages of the current proceedings. Otherwise it doesn't.

plot.it 0, 1 or 2 (**default**).

- if plot.it=0, no plot is returned.
- if plot.it=1, only the ggplot object required to get a comparison plot is returned, but it's not plotted.
- if plot.it=2, a comparison plot and the corresponding ggplot object is returned.

#### **Details**

If design.MSPRT.object is provided, one can only additionally provide nReplicate, nCore, verbose and seed (Easier option). Otherwise, just like in design.MSPRT, all the other arguments together with termination.threshold (obtained from design.MSPRT) needs to be provided adequately.

#### Value

List. The list has the following named components in case of one-sided one-sample tests:

Positive integer. Number of samples required to reach the decision.

decision Character. The decision reached. The possibilities are 'accept', 'reject' and

'continue'. They respectively correspond to accepting  $H_0$ , rejecting  $H_0$  and

continue sampling.

RejectH0.threshold

Positive numeric. Threshold for rejecting  $H_0$  in the MSPRT.

RejectH1.threshold

Positive numeric. Threshold for accepting  $H_1$  in the MSPRT.

LR

Numeric vector. Vector of weighted likelihood ratios (proportion tests) or likelihood ratios (z tests) or Bayes factor (t tests) that are computed at each step of sequential analysis until either a decision is reached or the maximum available number of samples (N.max in one-sample tests, or N1.max and N2.max in two-sample tests) has been used.

UMPBT alternative

This stores the UMPBT alternative(s) as

- UMPBT for proportion tests. Of the same type as it is returned by UMPBT.alt in these tests.
- theta. UMPBT for z and t tests. This is a numeric in case of z tests and a numeric vector in case of t tests. For t tests the UMPBT alternative depends on the data. So the numeric vector returned in this case contains the UMPBT alternative computed at step of sequential analysis and is based on all data observed until that step.

In case of two-sample tests, the n output above is replaced by n1 and n2. They are positive integers and refer to the number of samples from Group-1 and 2 required to reach the decision.

In case of two-sided tests at level of significance  $\alpha$ , the MSPRT carries out a right and a left sided test simultaneously at level of significance  $\alpha/2$ . In this case the outputs are same as above with following changes in components in the returned list:

LR

List. It has two components named right and left corresponding to the right and left sided tests of size  $\alpha/2$ . Each of these components stores the vector of weighted likelihood ratios (proportion tests) or likelihood ratios (z tests) or Bayes factor (t tests) that are computed at each step of sequential analysis until either a decision is reached or the maximum available number of samples (N. max in one-sample tests, or N1. max and N2. max in two-sample tests) has been used for that sided test.

UMPBT or theta. UMPBT

List with two components named right and left corresponding to the right and left sided tests of size  $\alpha/2$ . Each of these contains the UMPBT alternative (of the same type as the output from UMPBT.alt for the test with respective sides.

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#### References

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## **Examples**

```
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.oneprop.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneProp', side = 'right',
                                  N.max = 20
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0.5 # change effect size to experiment
\#y = rbinom(20, 1, theta.gen)
#implement.oneprop.right = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                        design.MSPRT.object = design.oneprop.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.oneprop.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneProp', side = 'left',
                                 N.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0.5 # change effect size to experiment
#y = rbinom(20, 1, theta.gen)
#implement.oneprop.left = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                        design.MSPRT.object = design.oneprop.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.oneprop.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneProp', side = 'both',
                                 N.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0.5 # change effect size to experiment
#y = rbinom(20, 1, theta.gen)
```

```
#implement.oneprop.both = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                      design.MSPRT.object = design.oneprop.both)
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.onez.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'right',
                               N.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y = rnorm(20, theta.gen, design.onez.right$sigma)
#implement.onez.right = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                    design.MSPRT.object = design.onez.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.onez.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'left',
                              N.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y = rnorm(20, theta.gen, design.onez.left$sigma)
#implement.onez.left = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                   design.MSPRT.object = design.onez.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.onez.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'both',
                              N.max = 20
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y = rnorm(20, theta.gen, design.onez.both$sigma)
#implement.onez.both = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                    design.MSPRT.object = design.onez.both)
#### right sided ####
#design.onet.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'right',
                               N.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
```

```
#y = rnorm(20, theta.gen, 1)
#implement.onet.right = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                      design.MSPRT.object = design.onet.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.onet.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'left',
                               N.max = 20
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y = rnorm(20, theta.gen, 1)
#implement.onet.left = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                     design.MSPRT.object = design.onet.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.onet.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'both',
                               N.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
y = rnorm(20, theta.gen, 1)
#implement.onet.both = implement.MSPRT(obs = y,
                                     design.MSPRT.object = design.onet.both)
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.twoz.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'right',
                                N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y1 = rnorm(20, theta.gen/2, design.twoz.right$sigma1)
#y2 = rnorm(20, -theta.gen/2, design.twoz.right$sigma2)
#implement.twoz.right = implement.MSPRT(obs1 = y1, obs2 = y2,
                                      design.MSPRT.object = design.twoz.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.twoz.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'left',
                               N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y1 = rnorm(20, theta.gen/2, design.twoz.left$sigma1)
```

```
#y2 = rnorm(20, -theta.gen/2, design.twoz.left$sigma2)
#implement.twoz.left = implement.MSPRT(obs1 = y1, obs2 = y2,
                                     design.MSPRT.object = design.twoz.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.twoz.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'both',
                               N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y1 = rnorm(20, theta.gen/2, design.twoz.both$sigma1)
#y2 = rnorm(20, -theta.gen/2, design.twoz.both$sigma2)
#implement.twoz.both = implement.MSPRT(obs1 = y1, obs2 = y2,
                                     design.MSPRT.object = design.twoz.both)
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.twot.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'right',
                                N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y1 = rnorm(20, theta.gen/2, 1)
#y2 = rnorm(20, -theta.gen/2, 1)
#implement.twot.right = implement.MSPRT(obs1 = y1, obs2 = y2,
                                      design.MSPRT.object = design.twot.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.twot.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'left',
                                N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y1 = rnorm(20, theta.gen/2, 1)
#y2 = rnorm(20, -theta.gen/2, 1)
#implement.twot.left = implement.MSPRT(obs1 = y1, obs2 = y2,
                                     design.MSPRT.object = design.twot.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.twot.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'both',
                               N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### implementation
#set.seed(1)
```

```
#theta.gen = 0 # change effect size to experiment
#y1 = rnorm(20, theta.gen/2, 1)
#y2 = rnorm(20, -theta.gen/2, 1)
#implement.twot.both = implement.MSPRT(obs1 = y1, obs2 = y2,
# design.MSPRT.object = design.twot.both)
```

implement.MSPRT\_oneProp

Internal MSPRT function: Implementing the MSPRT in one-sample proportion tests

#### **Description**

implement.MSPRT calls this function for implementing the MSPRT in one-sample proportion tests. Users please refer to implement.MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### **Description**

implement.MSPRT calls this function for implementing the MSPRT in one-sample t tests. Users please refer to implement.MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### **Description**

implement.MSPRT calls this function for implementing the MSPRT in one-sample z tests. Users please refer to implement.MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### **Description**

implement.MSPRT calls this function for implementing the MSPRT in two-sample t tests. Users please refer to implement.MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### **Description**

implement.MSPRT calls this function for implementing the MSPRT in two-sample z tests. Users please refer to implement.MSPRT.

## Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

Nstar

Sample size required to achieve higher significance

## Description

Given the sample size that is available at a lower level of significance, this function calculates the sample size that is required for achieving a higher level of significance so that a desired level of Type II error probability is maintained at a desired effect size.

## Usage

```
Nstar(test.type, N, N1, N2,
            N.increment = 1, N1.increment = 1,
            lower.signif = 0.05, higher.signif = 0.005, theta0,
            side = "right", Type2.target = 0.2, theta,
            sigma = 1, sigma1 = 1, sigma2 = 1, plot.it = T)
```

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## Arguments

C	
test.type	Character. Type of test. Currently, the package only allows
	<ul> <li>oneProp for one-sample proportion tests</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>oneZ for one-sample z tests</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>oneT for one-sample t tests</li> </ul>
	• twoZ for two-sample z tests
	• twoT for two-sample t tests.
N	Positive integer. Sample size available at the lower level of significance in one-sample tests.
N1	Positive integer. Sample size available from Group-1 at the lower level of significance in two-sample tests.
N2	Positive integer. Sample size available from Group-2 at the lower level of significance in two-sample tests.
N.increment	Positive integer. Increment in sample size allowed while searching for the sample size that is required for achieving the higher level of significance.
N1.increment	Positive integer. Increment in sample size from Group-1 allowed while searching for the sample size that is required for achieving the higher level of significance.
N2.increment	Positive integer. Increment in sample size from Group-2 allowed while searching for the sample size that is required for achieving the higher level of significance.
lower.signif	Numeric within [0,1]. Lower level of significance. <b>Default</b> 0.05.
higher.signif	Numeric within [0,1]. Higher level of significance. <b>Default:</b> 0.005.
theta0	Numeric. Hypothesized value of effect size $(\theta_0)$ under $H_0$ . <b>Default:</b> 0.5 in one-sample proportion tests, and 0 for others.
side	Character. Direction of the composite alternative hypothesis. right for $H_1$ : $\theta > \theta_0$ ( <b>default</b> ), and left for $H_1$ : $\theta < \theta_0$ .
Type2.target	Numeric within [0,1]. Prespecified level of Type 2 error probability. <b>Default:</b> 0.2.
theta	Numeric. Effect size value where Type2.target Type II error probability is desired at both levels of significance. <b>Default:</b> Fixed-design alternative $(\theta_a)$ at the lower level of significance; that is, the effect size where the fixed design test with $N$ samples and level of significance lower.signif has the Type II error probability Type2.target.
sigma	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation in one-sample z tests.
	Default: 1.
sigma1	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-1 in two-sample z tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.
sigma2	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-2 in two-sample z tests.
	Default: 1.
plot.it	Logical. If TRUE ( <b>default</b> ), returns a plot. Otherwise it doesn't.

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#### Value

- One-sample tests: Numeric. The required sample size.
- Two-sample tests: Numeric vector of length 2. The first and second components store the sample sizes required respectively from Group 1 and 2 for achieving the higher level of significance.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### References

Pramanik S., Johnson V. E. and Bhattacharya A. (2020+). A Modified Sequential Probability Ratio Test. [Arxiv]

#### **Examples**

```
##### one-sample proportion test #####
## right-sided
Nstar(test.type = "oneProp", N = 30)
## left-sided
Nstar(test.type = "oneProp", side = "left", N = 30)
##### one-sample z test #####
## right-sided
Nstar(test.type = "oneZ", N = 30)
## left-sided
Nstar(test.type = "oneZ", side = "left", N = 30)
##### one-sample t test #####
## right-sided
Nstar(test.type = "oneT", N = 30)
## left-sided
Nstar(test.type = "oneT", side = "left", N = 30)
##### two-sample z test #####
## right-sided
Nstar(test.type = "twoZ", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
## left-sided
```

```
Nstar(test.type = "twoZ", side = "left", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
##### two-sample t test #####
## right-sided
Nstar(test.type = "twoT", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
## left-sided
Nstar(test.type = "twoT", side = "left", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
```

OCandASN.MSPRT

Operating characteristics (OC) and Average Sample Number (ASN) of a designed MSPRT

#### **Description**

This function obtains the operating characteristics, that is the probability of accepting  $H_0$  and the sample size required on average for reaching a decision, for a designed MSPRT at the specified effect size(s).

#### Usage

## Arguments

theta Numeric vector. Vector of effect size(s) where the operating characteristics of the MSPRT is desired.

design.MSPRT.object

List. The output returned from design. MSPRT corresponding to the MSPRT for which the operating characteristics are desired.

termination.threshold

Positive numeric. Termination threshold of the designed MSPRT.

Same as in design.MSPRT. Not required if design.MSPRT.object is provided. Same as in design.MSPRT. Not required if design.MSPRT.object is provided. Same as in design.MSPRT. Not required if design.MSPRT.object is provided. Type1.target Same as in design.MSPRT. Not required if design.MSPRT.object is provided. Same as in design.MSPRT. Not required if design.MSPRT.object is provided. Same as in design.MSPRT. Not required if design.MSPRT.object is provided.

N.max	Same as in ${\tt design.MSPRT}$ . Not required if ${\tt design.MSPRT}$ . object is provided.
N1.max	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ Not \ required \ if \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ object \ is \ provided.$
N2.max	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ Not \ required \ if \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ object \ is \ provided.$
sigma	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT.}\ Not\ required\ if\ {\tt design.MSPRT.}\ object\ is\ provided.$
sigma1	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT.}\ Not\ required\ if\ {\tt design.MSPRT.}\ object\ is\ provided.$
sigma2	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT.}\ Not\ required\ if\ {\tt design.MSPRT.}\ object\ is\ provided.$
batch.size	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ Not \ required \ if \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ object \ is \ provided.$
batch1.size	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ Not \ required \ if \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ object \ is \ provided.$
batch2.size	$Same \ as \ in \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ Not \ required \ if \ {\tt design.MSPRT}. \ object \ is \ provided.$
nReplicate	Positive integer. Total number of replications to be used in Monte Carlo simulation for calculating the termination threshold and the operating characteristics of the MSPRT.
	<b>Default:</b> 1,000,000.
verbose	Logical. If TRUE ( <b>default</b> ), returns messages of the current proceedings. Otherwise it doesn't.
nCore	Positive integer. Total number of cores available for computation. Can be anything $\geq 1$ .
	<b>Default:</b> detectCores() - 1. That is, 1 less than the total number of available cores.
seed	Integer. Random number generating seed.
	Default: 1.

#### **Details**

If design.MSPRT.object is provided, one can only additionally provide nReplicate, nCore, verbose and seed (Easier option). Otherwise, just like in design. MSPRT, all the other arguments together with termination. threshold (obtained from design. MSPRT) needs to be provided adequately.

## Value

Data frame.

- One-sample tests: The data frame has 3 columns named theta, acceptH0.prob and EN, and the number of rows equals to the number of effect sizes (length of theta) where the operating characteristics are evaluated. Each row corresponds to a particular value of theta (effect size). The columns respectively contain the value of a particular theta (effect size), and the probability of accepting the \$H\_0\$ and the average sample size required by the MSPRT for reaching a decision thereat.
- Two-sample tests: The data frame has 4 columns named theta, acceptH0.prob, EN1 and EN2, and the number of rows equals to the number of effect sizes (length of theta) where the operating characteristics are evaluated. Each row corresponds to a particular value of theta (effect size). The columns respectively contain the value of a particular theta (effect size), and the probability of accepting the  $H_0$  at that effect size, and the average sample size from Group-1 & 2 that is required by the MSPRT for reaching a decision thereat.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### References

Pramanik S., Johnson V. E. and Bhattacharya A. (2020+). A Modified Sequential Probability Ratio Test. [Arxiv]

## **Examples**

```
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.oneprop.right <- design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneProp', side = 'right',</pre>
                                  N.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.oneprop.right <- OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.oneprop.right$theta0, 1,
                                           length.out = 3),
                                design.MSPRT.object = design.oneprop.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.oneprop.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneProp', side = 'left',
                                N.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.oneprop.left = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(0, design.oneprop.right$theta0,
                                         length.out = 3),
                              design.MSPRT.object = design.oneprop.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.oneprop.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneProp', side = 'both',
                                N.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.oneprop.both = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(0, 1, length.out = 3),
                              design.MSPRT.object = design.oneprop.both)
#### right sided ####
#design.onez.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'right',
                              N.max = 20
### OC and ASN
#OC.onez.right = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.onez.right$theta0,
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#
                                  design.onez.right$theta0 + 3*design.onez.right$sigma,
#
                                          length.out = 3),
#
                               design.MSPRT.object = design.onez.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.onez.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'left',
                                N.max = 20
### OC and ASN
#OC.onez.left = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.onez.left$theta0 - 3*design.onez.left$sigma,
                                         design.onez.left$theta0,
#
                                         length.out = 3),
#
                              design.MSPRT.object = design.onez.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.onez.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneZ', side = 'both',
                                N.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.onez.both = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.onez.both$theta0 - 3*design.onez.both$sigma,
                                    design.onez.both$theta0 + 3*design.onez.both$sigma,
                                         length.out = 3),
#
#
                              design.MSPRT.object = design.onez.both)
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.onet.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'right',
                                 N.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.onet.right = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.onet.right$theta0, 1,
                                          length.out = 3),
                               design.MSPRT.object = design.onet.right)
#
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.onet.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'left',
                                N.max = 20
### OC and ASN
#OC.onet.left = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(-1, design.onet.left$theta0,
                                         length.out = 3),
#
                              design.MSPRT.object = design.onet.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.onet.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'oneT', side = 'both',
                                N.max = 20)
```

```
### OC and ASN
#OC.onet.both = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(-1, 1, length.out = 3),
                            design.MSPRT.object = design.onet.both)
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.twoz.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'right',
                               N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.twoz.right = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.twoz.right$theta0,
                                        design.twoz.right$theta0 + 2,
#
#
                                        length.out = 3),
#
                             design.MSPRT.object = design.twoz.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.twoz.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'left',
                              N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.twoz.left = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.twoz.left$theta0 - 2,
                                       design.twoz.left$theta0,
#
                                       length.out = 3),
#
                            design.MSPRT.object = design.twoz.left)
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.twoz.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoZ', side = 'both',
                              N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.twoz.both = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.twoz.both$theta0 - 2,
                                       design.twoz.both$theta0 + 2,
#
                                       length.out = 3),
#
                           design.MSPRT.object = design.twoz.both)
#### right sided ####
### design
#design.twot.right = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'right',
                               N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.twot.right = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.twot.right$theta0,
                                        design.twot.right$theta0 + 2,
#
                                        length.out = 3),
```

```
design.MSPRT.object = design.twot.right)
#### left sided ####
### design
#design.twot.left = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'left',
                                 N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.twot.left = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.twot.left$theta0 - 2,
                                           design.twot.left$theta0,
#
                                           length.out = 3),
                               design.MSPRT.object = design.twot.left)
#
#### both sided ####
### design
#design.twot.both = design.MSPRT(test.type = 'twoT', side = 'both',
                                 N1.max = 20, N2.max = 20)
### OC and ASN
#OC.twot.both = OCandASN.MSPRT(theta = seq(design.twot.both$theta0 - 2,
                                           design.twot.both$theta0 + 2,
#
                                           length.out = 3),
#
                               design.MSPRT.object = design.twot.both)
```

OCandASN.MSPRT\_oneProp

Internal MSPRT function: OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT in onesample proportion tests

#### **Description**

OCandASN. MSPRT calls this function for obtaining the OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT for one-sample proportion tests. Users please refer to OCandASN. MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

OCandASN.MSPRT\_oneT Internal MSPRT function: OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT in onesample t tests

#### **Description**

OCandASN. MSPRT calls this function for obtaining the OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT for one-sample t tests. Users please refer to OCandASN. MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

OCandASN.MSPRT\_oneZ Internal MSPRT function: OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT in onesample z tests

#### **Description**

OCandASN. MSPRT calls this function for obtaining the OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT for one-sample z tests. Users please refer to OCandASN. MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

OCandASN.MSPRT\_twoT Internal MSPRT function: OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT in twosample t tests

#### **Description**

OCandASN. MSPRT calls this function for obtaining the OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT for two-sample t tests. Users please refer to OCandASN. MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

OCandASN.MSPRT\_twoZ Internal MSPRT function: OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT in twosample z tests

## Description

OCandASN. MSPRT calls this function for obtaining the OC and ASN of a designed MSPRT for two-sample z tests. Users please refer to OCandASN. MSPRT.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

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Type II error probability of fixed design tests

## Description

Obtains the Type II error probability of fixed-design tests for testing the point null hypothesis  $H_0$ :  $\theta = \theta_0$ .

## Usage

## Arguments

theta	Numeric. Effect size where the Type II error probability is desired.
test.type	Character. Type of test. Currently, the package only allows
	<ul> <li>oneProp for one-sample proportion tests</li> <li>oneZ for one-sample z tests</li> <li>oneT for one-sample t tests</li> <li>twoZ for two-sample z tests</li> <li>twoT for two-sample t tests.</li> </ul>
side	Character. Direction of the composite alternative hypothesis. right for $H_1:\theta>\theta_0$ ( <b>default</b> ), and left for $H_1:\theta<\theta_0$ .
theta0	Numeric. Hypothesized value of effect size $(\theta_0)$ under $H_0$ . <b>Default:</b> 0.5 in one-sample proportion tests, and 0 for others.
N	Positive integer. Sample size in one-sample tests.
N1	Positive integer. Sample size from Group-1 in two-sample tests.
N2	Positive integer. Sample size from Group-2 in two-sample tests.
Type1	Numeric in [0,1]. Prespecified Type I error probability. <b>Default:</b> 0.005.
sigma	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation in one-sample $z$ tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.
sigma1	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-1 in two-sample $z$ tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.
sigma2	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-2 in two-sample $z$ tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.

## Value

Numeric in [0,1]. The Type II error probability of the fixed-design test at the specified effect size value theta.

#### Author(s)

Sandipan Pramanik, Valen E. Johnson and Anirban Bhattacharya

#### References

Pramanik S., Johnson V. E. and Bhattacharya A. (2020+). A Modified Sequential Probability Ratio Test. [Arxiv]

## **Examples**

```
##### one-sample proportion test #####
## right-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(0, 1, length.out = 10),
                  test.type = "oneProp", N = 30)
## left-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(0, 1, length.out = 10), side = "left",
                   test.type = "oneProp", N = 30)
##### one-sample z test #####
## right-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(0, 1, length.out = 10),
                   test.type = "oneZ", N = 30)
## left-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(-1, 0, length.out = 10), side = "left",
                   test.type = "oneZ", N = 30)
##### one-sample t test #####
## right-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(0, 1, length.out = 10),
                  test.type = "oneT", N = 30)
## left-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(-1, 0, length.out = 10), side = "left",
                   test.type = "oneT", N = 30)
##### two-sample z test #####
## right-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(0, 1, length.out = 10),
                  test.type = "twoZ", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
## left-sided
Type2.fixed_design(theta = seq(-1, 0, length.out = 10), side = "left",
```

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UMPBT alternative

#### **Description**

Given a sample size and prespecified Type I & II error probabilities, this function obtains the objective alternative in the Uniformly Most Powerful Bayesian Test (UMPBT).

#### Usage

```
UMPBT.alt(test.type, side = "right", theta0,
    N, N1, N2, Type1 = 0.005,
    sigma = 1, sigma1 = 1, sigma2 = 1,
    obs, sd.obs, obs1, obs2, pooled.sd)
```

## Arguments

test.type	Character. Type of test. Currently, the package only allows
	<ul> <li>oneProp for one-sample proportion tests</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>oneZ for one-sample z tests</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>oneT for one-sample t tests</li> </ul>
	• twoZ for two-sample z tests
	• twoT for two-sample t tests.
side	Character. Direction of the composite alternative hypothesis. right for $H_1:\theta>\theta_0$ ( <b>default</b> ), and left for $H_1:\theta<\theta_0$ .
theta0	Numeric. Hypothesized value of effect size $(\theta_0)$ under $H_0$ . <b>Default:</b> 0.5 in one-sample proportion tests, and 0 for others.
N	Positive integer. Sample size in one-sample tests.
N1	Positive integer. Sample size from Group-1 in two-sample tests.
N2	Positive integer. Sample size from Group-2 in two-sample tests.
Type1	Numeric in [0,1]. Prespecified Type I error probability. <b>Default:</b> 0.005.
sigma	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation in one-sample z tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.

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sigma1	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-1 in two-sample z tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.
sigma2	Positive numeric. Known standard deviation for Group-2 in two-sample z tests. <b>Default:</b> 1.
obs	Numeric vector. The vector of observations based on which the UMPBT alternative in one-sample t test is determined. Either obs or sd. obs is required.
sd.obs	Positive numeric. The standard deviation (with divisor n-1) of observations based on which the UMPBT alternative in one-sample t test is determined. Either obs or sd.obs is required.
obs1	Numeric vector. The vector of observations from Group-1 based on which the UMPBT alternative in two-sample t test is determined. Either both obs1 and obs2, or pooled.sd is required.
obs2	Numeric vector. The vector of observations from Group-2 based on which the UMPBT alternative in two-sample t test is determined. Either both obs1 and obs2, or pooled.sd is required.
pooled.sd	Positive numeric. The pooled standard deviation of observations from Group-1 and 2 based on which the UMPBT alternative in two-sample t test is determined. Either both obs1 and obs2, or pooled.sd is required.

#### Value

List with two named components theta and mix.prob in one-sample proportion test. In this case, the UMPBT alternative is a mixture distribution of two points. theta contains the two points (effect sizes) and mix.prob contains their respective mixing probabilities.

Numeric in case of all the other tests. It is the UMPBT alternative effect size.

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## **Examples**

```
##### one-sample proportion test #####
## right-sided
UMPBT.alt(test.type = "oneProp", N = 30)
```

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```
## left-sided
UMPBT.alt(side = "left", test.type = "oneProp", N = 30)
##### one-sample z test #####
## right-sided
UMPBT.alt(test.type = "oneZ", N = 30)
## left-sided
UMPBT.alt(side = "left", test.type = "oneZ", N = 30)
##### one-sample t test #####
## observed data
set.seed(1)
x = rnorm(n = 30, mean = 0, sd = 1.5)
## right-sided
UMPBT.alt(test.type = "oneT", N = 30, obs = x)
## left-sided
UMPBT.alt(side = "left", test.type = "oneT", N = 30, obs = x)
##### two-sample z test #####
## right-sided
UMPBT.alt(test.type = "twoZ", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
## left-sided
UMPBT.alt(side = "left", test.type = "twoZ", N1 = 30, N2 = 30)
##### two-sample t test #####
## observed data
set.seed(1)
x1 = rnorm(n = 30, mean = 0, sd = 1.5)
x2 = rnorm(n = 30, mean = 0, sd = 1.5)
## right-sided
UMPBT.alt(test.type = "twoT", N1 = 30, N2 = 30,
          obs1 = x1, obs2 = x2)
## left-sided
UMPBT.alt(side = "left", test.type = "twoT", N1 = 30, N2 = 30,
         obs1 = x1, obs2 = x2)
```

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